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Patrick...are you calling in to our meeting with Doug at 8am tomorrow? Let me know, so I can add a call-in number.

Thanks Betsy

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Subject: Administrator's Superfund Emphasis List: draft Talking Points for RA Benevento

Hi Doug — Attached are draft talking points for you for each R8 site on the Administrator's list, plus CO Smelter. I also attached the latest list I received from HQ at 4pm today. We have not seen the draft national press release that HQ will be sending out tomorrow (or know what time), but I have included information from an email Andrew received from Nancy Grantham that explains what this list is, and isn't:

### **Superfund Administrator's Special Emphasis List**

- The impetus for the Administrators Special Emphasis List emanated from the Administrator's Superfund Task
  Force. Therein a list was proposed to receive extra attention from the Administrator. The sites on the list
  anticipate that the Administrator's direct engagement or directed scrutiny will facilitate near term progress.
  Certain parameters of the list have developed as the candidates for the list itself were considered. They are
  summarized as follows.
- 1. While Regions and OSRTI provide valued input into the sites included, the final decision of the contents of the list is solely the purview of the Administrator. Regions and OSRTI will continually monitor sites to recommend for Administrator focus
- 2. The list is fluid and the sites will not necessarily remain on the list to their final remediation but rather will more probably have a certain event or milepost to which the Administrator's focus is directed. After achieving same, the site would most probably be replaced by another.
- 3. While the Task Force Report addresses ten as the number of sites on the list, given the facts and circumstances the Administrator may elect a greater or lesser number.
- 4. No additional funding is obtained by being listed.
- 5. Movement to remediation on all Superfund sites will continue as planned regardless of the Administrator's Special Emphasis List.

7. Initially Federal Facility sites will not be included.

We can review this information and provide any additional updates at our 8:00 am meeting tomorrow morning.

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